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Man Pleads to DUI Traffic Death

A man charged with the DUI traffic death of a husband and severely injuring his wife on the San Bernardino Freeway pleaded no contest today, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Kaveh Faturechi of the Justice System Integrity Division said Luis Angel Ureno (dob 12/2/90) pleaded to one felony count each of vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated without gross negligence and driving with a .08% blood alcohol content causing injury.

Under the terms of a negotiated plea agreement, Ureno is expected to be sentenced to three years in state prison at a hearing on March 2 in Department 50 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

On Sept. 18, 2017, shortly after midnight, Ureno was driving at a high rate of speed on the San Bernardino Freeway in Pomona when he struck the back of another car. The driver of the other car, 42-year-old Hector Espinoza, was killed and his wife suffered major injuries.

Ureno was an officer with the Department of Homeland Security at the time of the incident.

The case was investigated by the California Highway Patrol.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.